

### **REMARKS/ARGUMENTS**

#### **Election/Restriction/Rejoinder**

The Applicants take note of the Examiner's reminder of rejoinder practice. Withdrawn Claim 13 has been amended to include all the limitations of Claim 1. Claims 14-18 depend from amended Claim 13. The Applicants respectfully ask that Claims 13-18 be rejoined if Claim 1 or another product claim is found allowable.

#### **Claim Objections**

Claim 10 was objected to as being in improper form. Claim 10 has been amended to correct the objectionable format.

#### **Rejections under 35 USC 112**

Claims 1-12 were rejected for failure to meet written description and enablement requirements.

Claim 1 has been amended and the rejection is obviated with respect to Claim 1 and Claims 2-12, which depend from Claim 1.

For all the reasons presented above, it is believed that the claims are now in condition for allowance, and early notice to this effect is requested. If in the opinion of the Examiner, a telephone conference would expedite the prosecution of the above-referenced application, the Examiner is invited to call the undersigned.

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It is not believed that an extension of time or fees are required. However, in the event that additional extensions of time are necessary to allow consideration of the paper, such extensions are hereby petitioned under 37 CFR §1.136(a), and any fee required therefore is hereby authorized to be charged to Deposit Account No. 16-1852.

Respectfully submitted,

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